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[Dante in Love](#) S4n Books
Reading Dante: From Here to EternityW. W. Norton & Company
[A Reading of Dante's Inferno](#) Oxford University Press

The opening lines of The Divine Comedy by Dante Alighieri launched Rod Dreher on a journey that rescued him from exile and saved his life. Dreher found that the medieval poem offered him a surprisingly practical way of solving modern problems. Following the death of his little sister and the publication of his New York Times bestselling memoir The Little Way of Ruthie Leming, Dreher found himself living in the small community of Starhill, Louisiana where he grew up. But instead of the fellowship he hoped to find, he discovered that fault lines within his family had deepened. Dreher spiraled into depression and a stress-related autoimmune disease. Doctors told Dreher that if he didn't find inner peace, he would destroy his health. Soon after, he came across The Divine Comedy in a bookstore and was enchanted by its first lines, which seemed to describe his own condition. In the months that followed, Dante helped Dreher understand the mistakes and mistaken beliefs that had torn him down and showed him that he had the power to change his life.

Dreher knows firsthand the solace and strength that can be found in Dante's great work, and distills its wisdom for those who are lost in the dark wood of depression, struggling with failure (or success), wrestling with a crisis of faith, alienated from their families or communities, or otherwise enduring the sense of exile that is the human condition. Inspiring, revelatory, and packed with penetrating spiritual, moral, and psychological insights, How Dante Can Save Your Life is a book for people, both religious and secular, who find themselves searching for meaning and healing. Dante told his patron that he wrote his poem to bring readers from misery to happiness. It worked for Rod Dreher. Dante saved Rod Dreher's life—and in this book, Dreher shows you how Dante can save yours.

After Dante Oxford University Press, USA
Dante Alighieri was born in Florence, Italy in the middle of the 13th century and what is principally known of him comes from his own writings. One of the world's great literary masterpieces, the "Divine Comedy" is at its heart an allegorical tale regarding man's search for divinity. The work is divided into three sections, "Inferno", "Purgatorio", and "Paradiso", each containing thirty-three cantos. It is the narrative of a journey down through Hell, up the mountain of Purgatory, and through the revolving heavens into the presence of God. In this aspect it belongs to the two familiar medieval literary types of the Journey and the Vision, however Dante intended the work to be more than just simple allegory, layering the narrative with rich historical, moral, political, literal, and anagogical context. In order for the work to be more accessible to the common readers of his day, Dante wrote in the Italian language. This was an uncommon practice at the time for serious literary works, which would

traditionally be written in Latin. One of the truly great compositions of all time, the "Divine Comedy" has inspired and influenced readers ever since its original creation. Presented here is the first volume of the "Divine Comedy" translated into English verse by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow. This edition is printed on premium acid-free paper. Reading Dante: From Here to Eternity Createspace Independent Pub
Durante di Alighiero degli Alighieri, commonly known by his pen name Dante Alighieri or simply as Dante (1265 - 1321), was an Italian poet during the Late Middle Ages. His Divine Comedy, originally called *Comedìa* (modern Italian: *Commedia*) and later christened *Divina* by Giovanni Boccaccio, is widely considered the most important poem of the Middle Ages and the greatest literary work in the Italian language. In the late Middle Ages, most poetry was written in Latin, making it accessible only to the most educated readers. In *De vulgari eloquentia* (*On Eloquence in the Vernacular*), however, Dante defended the use of the vernacular in literature. He would even write in the Tuscan dialect for works such as *The New Life* (1295) and the *Divine Comedy*; this highly unorthodox choice set a precedent that important later Italian writers such as Petrarch and Boccaccio would follow. Dante was instrumental in establishing the literature of Italy, and his depictions of Hell, Purgatory and Heaven provided inspiration for the larger body of Western art. He is cited as an influence on John Milton, Geoffrey Chaucer and Alfred Tennyson, among many others. In addition, the first use of the interlocking three-line rhyme scheme, or the *terza rima*, is attributed to him. In Italy, he is often referred to as *il Sommo Poeta* ("the Supreme Poet") and *il Poeta*; he, Petrarch, and Boccaccio are also called "the three fountains" or "the three crowns".
The Divine Comedy University of Chicago Press
Dante Alighieri's Divine Comedy has, despite its enormous popularity and importance, often stymied readers with its multitudinous characters, references, and themes. But until the publication in 2007 of Guy Raffa's guide to the *Inferno*, students lacked a suitable resource to help them navigate Dante's underworld. With this new guide to the entire Divine Comedy, Raffa provides readers—experts in the Middle Ages and Renaissance, Dante neophytes, and everyone in between—with a map of the entire poem, from the lowest circle of Hell to the highest sphere of Paradise. Based on Raffa's original research and

his many years of teaching the poem to undergraduates, *The Complete Dante* charts a simultaneously geographical and textual journey, canto by canto, region by region, adhering closely to the path taken by Dante himself through Hell, Purgatory, and Paradise. This invaluable reference also features study questions, illustrations of the realms, and regional summaries. Interpreting Dante's poem and his sources, Raffa fashions detailed entries on each character encountered as well as on many significant historical, religious, and cultural allusions.

Reading Dante's Commedia as Theology Routledge

Available for the first time in paperback, this essential resource presents a systematic introduction to Dante's life and works, his cultural context and intellectual legacy. The only such work available in English, this *Encyclopedia* brings together contemporary theories on Dante, summarizing them in clear and vivid prose provides in-depth discussions of the *Divine Comedy*, looking at title and form, moral structure, allegory and realism, manuscript tradition, and also taking account of the various editions of the work over the centuries contains numerous entries on Dante's other important writings and on the major subjects covered within them addresses connections between Dante and philosophy, theology, poetics, art, psychology, science, and music as well as critical perspective across the ages, from Dante's first critics to the present.

Dante Encyclopedia Cambridge University Press
Dante's Purgatorio has been described as the most 'human' of the three parts of his *Comedy*, and it can also be seen as a 'singing school' for poets. This new complete translation by sixteen contemporary poets enters into dialogue with Dante's text by rendering it in a variety of different Anglophone voices - American, Australian, British, Irish, Jamaican, Scottish and Singaporean. The poets in this *Purgatorio* adopt a range of forms, from blank verse to terza rima, and their translations are accompanied by explanatory notes, a 'prelude' of poems about Purgatory, and a 'postscript' of newly-translated medieval Italian lyrics relating to Dante and his poem.

Reading Dante Angelico Press

In 'Dante In Love', Wilson presents a study on an artist and his world, arguing that without an understanding of medieval Florence, it is impossible to comprehend the meaning of 'The *Divine Comedy*'. It also lays bear the enigma of the man who never wrote about the mother of his children, yet immortalized the mysterious Beatrice.

Inferno: The Divine Comedy I Reading

Dante: From Here to Eternity

Astronomy is one of the most prominent and perplexing features of Dante's *Divine Comedy*. In the final rhyme of the poem's three parts, and in scores of descriptions and analogies, the stars are an intermediate goal and a constant point of reference for the spiritual journey the

poem narrates. This book makes a sustained analysis of Dante's use of astronomy, not only in terms of the precepts of medieval science but also in relation to specific moral, philosophical, and poetic problems laid out in each chapter. For Dante, Alison Cornish says, the stars offer optical representations of invisible realities, from divine providence to the workings of the human soul. Dante's often puzzling celestial figures call attention to the physical world as a scene of reading in which visible phenomena are subject to more than one explanation, Cornish contends. The poetry of Dante's astronomy, as well as its difficulty, rests on this imperative of interpretation. Reading the stars, like reading literature, is an ethical undertaking fraught with risk, not just an exercise in technical understanding. Cornish's book is the first guide to the astronomy of Dante's masterpiece to encompass both ways of reading his work.

Dante Lexington Books

This work is a guide to the reading of Dante's great poem, intended for the use of students and laymen, particularly those who are approaching the *Inferno* for the first time. While carefully pointing out the uniqueness, tone, and color of each of Dante's thirty-four cantos, Fowlie never loses sight of the continuity of the poet's discourse. Each canto is related thematically to others, and the rich web of symbols is displayed and disentangled as the poem's unity, patterns, and structures are revealed. What particularly distinguishes Wallace Fowlie's reading of the *Inferno* is his emphasis on both the timelessness and the timeliness of Dante's masterpiece. By underlining the archetypal elements in the poem and drawing parallels to contemporary literature, Fowlie has brought Dante and his characters much closer to modern readers.

Dante: A Very Short Introduction Penguin
Vertical Readings in Dante's *Comedy* is a reappraisal of the poem by an international team of thirty-four scholars. Each vertical reading analyses three same-numbered cantos from the three canticles: *Inferno* i, *Purgatorio* i and *Paradiso* i; *Inferno* ii, *Purgatorio* ii and *Paradiso* ii; etc. Although scholars have suggested before that there are correspondences between same-numbered cantos that beg to be explored, this is the first time that the approach has been pursued in a systematic fashion across the poem. This collection — to be issued in three volumes — offers an unprecedented repertoire of vertical readings for the whole poem. As the first volume exemplifies, vertical reading not only articulates unexamined connections between the three canticles but also unlocks engaging new ways to enter into core concerns of the poem. The three volumes thereby provide an indispensable resource for scholars, students and enthusiasts of Dante. The volume has its origin in a series of thirty-three public lectures held in Trinity College, the University of Cambridge (2012-2016) which can be accessed at the 'Cambridge Vertical Readings in Dante's *Comedy*' website.

Reading Dante in Renaissance Italy
Routledge

"Dante and Shakespeare divide the modern world between them; there is no third." *Understanding Dante* attempts to explain and justify T. S. Eliot's bold claim. John

Scott offers readers at all levels a critical overview of Dante's writings: five chapters deal with his New Life of love and poetry (*Vita Nova*), the Banquet of knowledge (*Convivio*), his Latin treatise on language and poetics (*De Vulgari Eloquentia*), Italian lyrics (*Rime*), and his blueprint for world government (*Monarchia*). The next five chapters concentrate on Dante's masterpiece, the *Comedy*: its structure, Dante's worldview (still relevant today), and the *Comedy* examined as a poem. Much has been written on Dante's moral, political, and religious ideas; important as these are, however, such discussions are perforce limited. It is above all as a work of poetry that the *Divine Comedy* maintains its appeal and fascination to readers of all backgrounds and beliefs. / / / Firmly grounded in the latest advances of Dante scholarship, *Understanding Dante* offers an original and uniquely detailed, global analysis of Dante as poet of the *Comedy* that will be welcomed by those who read the poem in translation as well as by those who study the original Italian text. At the same time, Scott's book will be welcome for its rich and insightful analysis of the whole corpus of Dante's writings, as well as Scott's mastery of the vast sea of critical literature in various languages. Scott bridges the gap that often exists between Dante studies in English-speaking countries and the great tradition of Dante scholarship in the poet's homeland. No work in English about the great Italian poet can rival *Understanding Dante*'s scope in both depth and breadth of close reading and critical vision.

Reading Dante's Stars Routledge

Dante Alighieri was early in recognizing that our age has a problem. His hometown, Florence, was at the epicenter of the move from the medieval world to the modern. He realized that awareness of divine reality was shifting, and that if it were lost, dire consequences would follow. The *Divine Comedy* was born in a time of troubling transition, which is why it still speaks today. Dante's masterpiece presents a cosmic vision of reality, which he invites his readers to traverse with him. In this narrative retelling and guide, from the gates of hell, up the mountain of purgatory, to the empyrean of paradise, Mark Vernon offers a vivid introduction and interpretation of a book that, 700 years on, continues to open minds and change lives.

Dante the Maker Boydell & Brewer Ltd
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The Letters of Giacomo Leopardi 1817-1837
University of Chicago Press

A revolutionary figure throughout his career, Dante Gabriel Rossetti 's work provides a distinctly revolutionary lens through which the Victorian period can be viewed. Suggesting that Rossetti 's work should be approached through his poetry, Brian Donnelly argues that it is both inscribed by and inscribes the development of verbal as well as visual culture in the Victorian era. In his discussions of modernity, aestheticism, and material culture, he identifies Rossetti as a central figure who helped define the terms through which we approach the cultural productions of this period. Donnelly begins by articulating a method for reading Rossetti 's poetry that highlights the intertextual relations within and between the poetry and paintings. His interpretations of such poems as the 'Mary 's Girlhood' sonnets, the sonnet sequence *The House of Life*, and 'The Orchard-Pit' in relationship to paintings such as *The Girlhood of Mary Virgin* and *Ecce Ancilla Domini!* shed light on Victorian ideals of femininity, on consumer culture, and on the role of gender hierarchies in Victorian culture. Situating Rossetti 's poetry as the key to all of his work, Donnelly also makes a case for its centrality in its representation of the dominant discourses of the late Victorian period: faith, sex, consumption, death, and the nature of representation itself.

Reading Dante's Stars University of Notre Dame Press

Examines Dante's reception in the culture and criticism of Renaissance Italy, with a particular focus on Florence and Venice.

Why Dante Matters Baker Books

Robert Durling's spirited new prose translation of the *Paradiso* completes his masterful rendering of the *Divine Comedy*. Durling's earlier translations of the *Inferno* and the *Purgatorio* garnered high praise, and with this superb version of the *Paradiso* readers can now traverse the entirety of Dante's epic poem of spiritual ascent with the guidance of one of the greatest living Italian-to-English translators. Reunited with his beloved Beatrice in the *Purgatorio*, in the *Paradiso* the poet-narrator journeys with her through the heavenly spheres and comes to know "the state of blessed souls after death." As with the previous volumes, the original Italian and its English translation appear on facing pages. Readers will be drawn to Durling's precise and vivid prose, which captures Dante's extraordinary range of expression--from the high style of divine revelation to colloquial speech, lyrical interludes, and scornful diatribes against

corrupt clergy. This edition boasts several unique features. Durling's introduction explores the chief interpretive issues surrounding the *Paradiso*, including the nature of its allegories, the status in the poem of Dante's human body, and his relation to the mystical tradition. The notes at the end of each canto provide detailed commentary on historical, theological, and literary allusions, and unravel the obscurity and difficulties of Dante's ambitious style. An unusual feature is the inclusion of the text, translation, and commentary on one of Dante's chief models, the famous cosmological poem by Boethius that ends the third book of his *Consolation of Philosophy*. A substantial section of *Additional Notes* discusses myths, symbols, and themes that figure in all three cantiche of Dante's masterpiece. Finally, the volume includes a set of indexes that is unique in American editions, including *Proper Names Discussed in the Notes* (with thorough subheadings concerning related themes), *Passages Cited in the Notes*, and *Words Discussed in the Notes*, as well as an *Index of Proper Names in the text and translation*. Like the previous volumes, this final volume includes a rich series of illustrations by Robert Turner.

Dante's Divine Comedy Open Book Publishers

Reading Dante: The Pursuit of Meaning examines the problem of thematic coherence in Dante's *Divina Commedia*. Unlike many Dante scholars who maintain that the poem's unity is the account of a journey through the afterworld, Jesper Hede argues that a systematic parallel reading of the poem's three parts (*Hell*, *Purgatory*, and *Paradise*) reveals that it is the vision of divine order that provides the poem with its thematic unity.

Dante's Inferno in Plain and Simple English
OUP Oxford

divdivA towering figure in world literature, Dante wrote his great epic poem *Commedia* in the early fourteenth century. The work gained universal acclaim and came to be known as *La Divina Commedia*, or *The Divine Comedy*. Giuseppe Mazzotta brings Dante and his masterpiece to life in this exploration of the man, his cultural milieu, and his endlessly fascinating works.

div /DIVdivBased on Mazzotta 's highly popular Yale course, this book offers a critical reading of *The Divine Comedy* and selected other works by Dante. Through an analysis of Dante 's autobiographical *Vita nuova*, Mazzotta establishes the poetic and political circumstances of *The Divine Comedy*. He situates the three sections of the poem—*Inferno*, *Purgatory*, *Paradise*—within the intellectual and social context of the late Middle Ages, and he explores the political, philosophical, and theological topics with which Dante was particularly concerned.

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